

April 30, 2019

BY HAND DELIVERY AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, RI 02888

RE: Docket 4676 – National Grid's Proposal to Bid Capacity of Customer-Owned Distributed Generation Facilities into the Forward Capacity Market National Grid Update to PUC

Dear Ms. Massaro:

I am writing to provide the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC) with an update relating to the Company's efforts to bid facilities into the forward capacity market (FCM). To bid facilities into the FCM, it is important for customers with eligible facilities to cooperate with the Company by providing the Company with relevant FCM-related information upon the Company's request. On April 12, 2019, the Company sent the following e-mail to one Rhode Island customer who was not responsive to the Company's requests for information that was necessary for the Company to bid the customer's six solar facilities into the FCM¹:

After reaching out to you for a number of weeks to request information needed to facilitate the Company's participation in the ISO-NE Forward Capacity Market, you still have not provided the required information listed below:

[E-mail listed required missing site control documents for the six projects]

The above referenced facilities participate in National Grid's Renewable Energy Growth Program ("RE Growth Program"). The information we are seeking will be used to facilitate National Grid bidding the project into the ISO-NE Forward Capacity Market. Under the terms of the RE Growth Program, National Grid has the rights and title to the capacity products, and this documentation is needed to meet ISO-NE's requirements for FCM qualification. Please be advised that if the requested information is not received by **Wed 4/19/19**, **the Company will have no recourse except to rescind the Certificate of Eligibility for failure to comply with the requirements of the REG tariff effective 4/20/19**. Refer to the Renewable Energy Growth Program for Non-Residential Customers tariff (RIPUC No. 2152-F) at section 7.b.(3) and section 11.

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¹ Initially, there were approximately 20 developers who were not responsive to the Company's requests for information. However, the Company was able to obtain the missing information either from publicly available information or through the developers, who eventually responded to the Company's requests.

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The projects at issue covered six solar facilities with a total AC nameplate capacity of 7.329 MWs. The customer to whom the above-referenced email was sent provided all of the necessary information after receiving the e-mail, and, therefore, there will be no cost impact on the Company's FCM participation.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at 781-907-2121.

Very truly yours,

Raquel J. Webster

Enclosures

cc: Docket 4676 Service List Jon Hagopian, Esq. Leo Wold, Esq.

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the cover letter and any materials accompanying this certificate was electronically transmitted to the individuals listed below.

The paper copies of this filing are being hand delivered to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission and to the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers.

Joanne M. Scanlon

April 30, 2019
Date

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